



Dear Proprietor

Get ready for smoke-free outdoor dining from 1 July 2016

From 1 July 2016, all public outdoor dining areas in South Australia will become smoke-free under the *Tobacco Products Regulation Act 1997*. Smoke-free outdoor dining is designed to protect the community from the harms of second hand tobacco smoke and increase the comfort and enjoyment of non-smokers dining in outdoor areas.

If you answer **Yes** to both of the following questions, the new law will apply to your business:

1. Do you have an outdoor area in which tables, or tables and chairs, are permanently or temporarily provided for customer dining? **Yes/No**

AND

2. At any time, do you offer food for purchase, or otherwise provide food (other than pre-packaged snack food such as potato crisps, nuts, chocolate bars and pre-packaged biscuits) for consumption in the outdoor area? **Yes/No**

If you are an owner, operator or staff member of a business with a public outdoor dining area, please read the information over the page to assist you with preparing for, and complying with, the introduction of smoke-free outdoor dining.

[A Smoke-free outdoor dining areas Fact Sheet and a signage order form are also enclosed.](#)

For more information, please visit www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/tobaccolaws. If you have further questions, please email HealthProtectionOperations@health.sa.gov.au or telephone Health Protection Operations, SA Health on (08) 8226 7100.

Yours sincerely

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Preparing for smoke-free outdoor dining

If your venue or event has an outdoor dining area for the public you need to prepare for smoke-free outdoor dining which begins on 1 July 2016.

What you need to do before 1 July 2016:

- Read the *Smoke-free Outdoor Dining Areas: Guidelines for pubs, clubs, restaurants, cafes and other venues with outdoor dining areas in South Australia* and enclosed *Smoke-free outdoor dining areas Fact Sheet* so you understand the changes to outdoor dining areas. These documents will assist you to comply with the legal requirements of smoke-free outdoor dining legislation. The *Guidelines* are available to download at www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/tobaccolaws.
- Assess your outdoor areas and ensure that your dining area will be in a completely separate area, or separated by a 2-metre solid barrier, from any adjoining outdoor areas on your premises where smoking is permitted.
- Make sure that all staff understand the new law and that you have procedures in place, including dealing with any customers seeking to smoke in the outdoor dining area.
- Make sure that you have signs ready to be displayed in the outdoor dining area from 1 July 2016 so that customers will know it is a smoke-free area. Standard 'no smoking' signage is available free of charge from SA Health. To order signs you can:
 - Complete the enclosed order form.
 - Download an order form at www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/tobaccolaws.
 - Email HealthProtectionOperations@health.sa.gov.au or telephone SA Health on (08) 8226 7100.

You can create and display your own 'no smoking' signs – more information about signage can be found in the *Guidelines*.

From 1 July 2016, an outdoor dining area must have a sufficient number of signs clearly displayed to indicate smoking is not permitted in the area.

Prepare customers for the change:

- **Download venue posters for display**
You can prepare customers for the change by displaying posters about smoke-free outdoor dining. These can be downloaded at www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/tobaccolaws.

Posters are also available in the following languages:

Vietnamese	Arabic	Korean
Cambodian	Chinese	Spanish
Greek	Italian	Tagalog (Filipino)

- There will be a media campaign before 1 July 2016 to inform the public about the new smoke-free outdoor dining law.

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